

Transforming the Agriculture Job Market Elsewedy University of Technology (SUT)—Polytechnic of Egypt Signs New International Partnership Agreement with Texas A&M University, Member of Texas International Education Consortium (TIEC)

Cairo, December - 2024 – As part of its ongoing commitment to providing cutting-edge education that meets both local and global standards, Elsewedy University of Technology (SUT) - Polytechnic of Egypt - has forged a strategic partnership with Texas International Education Consortium (TIEC) and Texas A&M University (TAMU), USA. This partnership is set to broaden SUT's offerings/programs by developing several specializations in the field of agriculture engineering technology, providing students with world-class, specialized knowledge & latest technologies adopted in this field to meet the fast-changing needs in this sector. Such strategic partnership will bring world class experts for developing the programs curricula & capacity of SUT academic team, targeting to reinforce SUT's position as a leader in higher education.

Through the new agreement with the Texas International Education Consortium (TIEC), Elsewedy University of Technology (SUT)—Polytechnic of Egypt- will launch the “Agriculture Irrigation Engineering Technology Program” in the academic year 2025-2026. Texas A&M University will work collaboratively with SUT on the program development, ensuring it aligns with U.S. higher education standards. The program will offer specialized tracks in Irrigated Field Crops Under Pivot, Pivot Irrigation Technology, and Water Management Technology. Upon completion, the graduates will earn a bachelor's degree from SUT, with Recognition from Texas A&M University, validating the program's high academic standards and global relevance.

Founded in 1985 in Austin, Texas, TIEC is a unique U.S.-based international education organization made up of 50 U.S. & international higher education institutions. The heart of TIEC's work is connecting universities globally with 37 Texas members. TIEC has 40 years of experience in fostering international relationships in curriculum modernization, trainings, capacity building, innovation, and certificate programs through its vast network of 50,000 Texas faculty and administrator experts. TIEC attracts industry leaders and offers various networking opportunities, engaging faculty to broaden students' global perspectives and prepare them for international challenges.

Founded in 1876, Texas A&M University (TAMU), stands as one of the most prestigious universities in the United States. It has established a significant presence in both academic and research activities, particularly in the field of engineering. As the first public institution of higher education in Texas, USA, TAMU is committed to research and focused on cultivating future leaders. The university's mission involves the discovery, development, communication, and application of knowledge across diverse disciplines, including engineering, agriculture, science, and liberal arts.

In regards to this new academic partnership Eng. Ahmed ElSewedy, Chairman of SUT Board of Trustees, highlighted the pivotal role of technological innovation, sustainable agricultural practices, and efficient water management in addressing global challenges by stating: "This collaboration marks a significant step towards advancing agricultural technology and addressing global food security challenges. By combining academic excellence with practical application, we aim to develop innovative solutions that promote sustainable farming practices, optimize resource utilization, and enhance crop yields. Together, we can shape the future of agriculture and ensure a prosperous and food-secure world."

Commenting on this new collaboration, Mrs. Hanan ElRihany, CEO – ELSEWEDY EDTECH, stated: "At SUT, we are deeply invested in enhancing both our academic offerings and the skills of our team to meet international standards and address Egypt's evolving needs. The collaboration with Texas A&M University will provide our students with specialized knowledge in agricultural engineering technology, supporting our strategy to expand in emerging industries."

This new partnership reflects Elsewedy University of Technology (SUT)—Polytechnic of Egypt's commitment to broadening its academic offerings and preparing students to meet the challenges of an evolving global landscape. By collaborating with prestigious international institutions, SUT continues to strengthen its role as a key player in Egypt's education system, contributing to the nation's development through innovation and sustainability.